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BARRAGA: RUNNING FOR A CURE



Shown L-R; Suffolk County Legislator Tom Barraga (R-West Islip), Suffolk County Treasurer Angie Carpenter (R-West Islip), Maria Pecorale, Kay Manley and Pat Rich all from West Islip.

Mother's Day in West Islip is not only a day to celebrate motherhood but it is also a day when the community comes together for a special cause – to run the annual Elizabeth T. McNamee Memorial Race.

Suffolk County Legislator Tom Barraga (R-West Islip) along with hundreds of residents from surrounding communities recently participated in the 15th Annual Elizabeth T. McNamee Memorial Race. Elizabeth, a graduate of West Islip High School and later Harvard University

went on to attend N.Y.U. Law School. In her final year at N.Y.U. her life came to an unexpected end due to a heart disease known as hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HMC) which is the number one cause of sudden cardiac death among America's youth.

The race is a tribute to Elizabeth's memory and raises funds which not only support many local scholarship programs but aids in the awareness and education of HMC.